- 1. What is the problem with this sentence? "Several Oenanthe species may have been cultivated and used as vegetables in different regions of China, they were classified as O. javanica and categorized as pointed-leaf or round-leaf type by local farmers and researchers."
- a. Missing comma
- b. Unnecessary comma
- c. Splice comma
- d. No problem
- 2. What is the problem with the following sentence? "Urban air quality deterioration caused by high concentrations of air pollutants is considered as a key environmental problem which induces adverse effects on human health."
- a. 'Which' should be 'that'
- b. Missing articles
- c. Cliché, jargon, or colloquial expression
- d. Substituting one part of speech for another
- 3. What is the problem with the following sentence? "Nipah virus (NiV) and closely related Hendra virus are emerging zoonotic RNA viruses that cause range of illnesses, from asymptomatic infections to atypical pneumonia and fatal encephalitis."
- a. Missing articles
- b. Cliché, jargon, or colloquial expression
- c. Splice comma
- d. No problem
- 4. What is the problem with the following sentence? "The reason for this is not clear."
- a. Missing or extra words
- b. This alone
- c. Misused uncountable noun
- d. Not precise enough or too little information
- 5. What is the problem with the following sentence? "Cell pellets were resuspended in lysis buffer containing Tris-HCl, NaCl, Urea, Imidazole, and glycerol."
- a. Misused uncountable noun
- b. Not precise enough or too little information
- c. Missing comma
- d. Missing articles
- 6. What is the problem with the following sentence? "A necessary prerequisite for reducing health disparities, consequently, is to ascertain the socioeconomic distribution of health and mortality."
- a. Using complex words rather than simple words
- b. Misused uncountable noun
- c. Not precise enough or too little information

- d. Cliché, jargon, or colloquial expression
- 7. What is the problem with the following sentence? "We use a genetic algorithm to explore the space of pathfinding algorithms in a 3D naval real-time strategy game and training simulation."
- a. Not precise enough or too little information
- b. Cliché, jargon, or colloquial expression
- c. Missing comma
- d. Unclear pronoun
- 8. What is the problem with the following sentence? "Natural marine aggregates span a large range in size, from fewer than 0x10-6 m to more than 0x10-2 m."
- a. Not precise enough or too little information
- b. Using complex words rather than simple words
- c. Misused uncountable noun
- d. Unnecessary comma
- 9. What is the problem with the following sentence? "Infants are on the receptive side of the exchange, having mechanisms enabling them to identify when and what adults intend for them to lean."
- a. No problem
- b. Missing comma
- c. Unclear pronoun
- d. Spelling error that changes meaning
- 10. What is the problem with the following sentence? "Compounds produced by BGCs have also been shown to have other roles in interactions between plants and the environment, such as modulation of the root microbiome, although the consequences of this for plant growth and fitness are not yet known."
- a. Spelling error that changes meaning
- b. Unclear pronoun
- c. Unnecessary comma
- d. Using complex words rather than simple words

Answer Key:

- 1. C
- 2. A
- 3. A
- 4. B
- 5. B
- 6. A
- 7. B
- 8. C
- 9. D
- 10. B